


The Wonderful Story of the Tin Can

If the tin can has been to you a common thing of commonplace service, think that way of it no longer. Think of the tin can for what it *really* is—a wonder of the times. Think of it as a monument to patient achievement in our personal interests.

What a tale it could tell! A tale to compel our respect and whet our appetites.

Once this tin can lay inert in the Earth in its original elements—had lain there since Time began—awaiting the hand of man that should bring it forth, make the metal, give it shape and crown it with great usefulness.

And while it thus lay, awaiting its destiny there likewise lay those other ingredients, from which Nature herself should bring forth the products of garden, orchard and field, so wonderfully nourishing and delicious.

You Get Choice Foods Because of It
What a stimulus to imagination! What a

tribute could be written to what Earth holds in trust for her people! How she holds in one hand the secret of the peach, the pineapple, the succulent vegetable! How she holds in the other the no less wonderful secret of the means that shall carry her bounty to any table—anywhere—any time of the year.

Today, all these ingredients lie dormant together. Tomorrow, rising from the earth they meet again, each to triumph in "the miracle on your table."

The Needs of Your Own Table Developed It
But Nature's triumph means man's triumph also. The tin can of commerce was not born in a day nor without great industrial travail.

The can making industry in America parallels that of food-canning itself. In the beginning, each canner made his own cans, and a workman in those days could make by hand 150 per day.

Today, production of more than Six Billion cans annually for the canned food output of America is significant of the development of the tin can industry, and of the canned food industry, as well, which makes all these millions upon millions of cans necessary. The imagination is staggered by it. Expressed in terms of tables supplied, and of individuals served, it is almost beyond belief.

Science Stands Back of It

The "tin" can is a steel can, coated with tin. It is a product of science, of scientific research by hundreds of specialists who have studied every step of evolution beginning with analysis of the steel itself.

Extraordinary Care Has Surrounded It

For example, over a period of years, picked men from the laboratories of four great organizations united in the common effort of developing the tin container. These were the

laboratories of steel manufacturers, tin plate manufacturers, can manufacturers, and the National Canners Association. Special "heats" of steel were experimented with, foods packed in the cans produced from the steel, and the results recorded with scientific accuracy. The thickness of the tin coating became a matter of scientific determination. Methods of sealing and imperviousness of joints are subjects of closest scientific scrutiny.

Respect the Tin Can

As the tin can stands on your grocer's shelves or on the shelves of your own pantry, this highly specialized little object claims your respect. The tin can unquestionably is the safest, most practicable and scientific food container that human skill and ingenuity have been able to devise for the benefit of mankind.

National Canners Association

WASHINGTON, D. C.

A nationwide organization formed in 1907, consisting of producers of all varieties of hermetically sealed canned foods which have been sterilized by heat. Its purpose is to assure, for the mutual benefit of the industry and the public, the best canned foods that scientific knowledge and human skill can produce.

Self-Insured Canned Association



Amusements. Amusements. Amusements. Amusements. Amusements. Amusements.

TREMONT TEMPLE
Beginning TUESDAY—Seats Now Selling



Mr. NATHAN H. GORDON presents
MARY PICKFORD
IN THE MOST POPULAR AND BEST KNOWN STORY IN THE WORLD
"POLLYANNA"
THE PICTURE OF SUNSHINE AND CHARM

Prices 25c, 50c and a few at \$1.00 (Box Seats)
A Heavy Success to "Buddy Long-Legs" and "The Hoodlum"

BOSTON OPERA HOUSE
DRAIN THE LAST CUP OF JOY THIS WEEK AND SPEED THE PARTING OF



The PASSING SHOW
It Takes Five Generations to Empty a Glass of Champagne Like This!
Good-Bye Wine!
Good-Bye Passing Show!
500 Good Seats at \$1.50
AND ROY CUMMINGS, JOHN BURKE AND WILL PHILBRICK

THE WALDORF
VAUDEVILLE
EXCLUSIVE STAGE PRESENTATIONS OF THE GREAT AUTHOR'S FEATURE PRODUCTIONS

Doris Kenyon
THE BANDBOX
FROM THE FAMOUS NOVEL BY LOUIS JOSEPH VANCE
THE ONLY PRESENTATION OF METROPOLITAN BOSTON!
VAUDEVILLE SHOW CHANGED TWICE WEEKLY

SHUBERT MAJESTIC THEATRE
MESSRS. LEE & J.J. SHUBERT, MANAGING DIRECTORS
ROLAND WEST'S THRILLER OF ALL THRILLERS
THE UNKNOWN PURPLE
They saw the only signed and valuable picture, but they could not see a PERFECT RAY was the only thing to shoot at!
WITH GEORGE PROBERT, Back from One Year in New York
POP. MATS. WED., Best Seats \$1.50

PARK THEATRE
CONTINUOUS FROM 10 A.M. TO 7 P.M.
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TICKETS AT BOX OFFICE WEEK IN ADVANCE

MAETERLINCK'S "THE BLUEBIRD"
SUNDAY NIGHT ONLY
BEGINNING MONDAY—2 WEEKS ONLY

ROSCOE FATTY
in **"THE GARAGE"**
"THE MYSTERY OF THE YELLOW ROOM"
By EMIL CHARTARD
A Harcourt-Bancroft Production
Greater Than "Blackout" and "Ames Laps"

COLONIAL THEATRE
CHARLES J. RICH, MANAGER
EVERY AT 8 HEARS—WATS AT 5
LAST 2 WEEKS
ENGAGEMENT POSITIVELY EXHAUSTED SAT. NIGHT, JAN. 10
Charles Dillman's Musical Comedy from the Grand Theatre, New York

JULIA SANDERSON **JOSEPH CAWTHORN**
Doyle & Dixon and Maude Eburne
"THE CANARY"
Tomorrow Night at 8:10 Box Office Sunday at 2
MASSIVE ALL-STAR SHOW FOR THE Y-D MEMORIAL
"GREATEST EVER" Sunday Show
Julia Sanderson—Joseph Cawthorn—Otis Skinner
DOYLE & DIXON "The Canary" Co.
KATY RYAN & CO. ELIZABETH JAMES ENTERTAINERS; MATTERBANGERS; RALPH TALLEY, KENNEL, A. HUNTER, LARRY & BILLY CONVERS; ALL OF KATY RYAN'S ANNOUNCED WILL POSITIVELY APPEAR AS MEMBERS

HOLLIS STREET THEATRE
Charles J. Rich, Manager
Opening at 8:10
Two Final Matinees Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 14 and 15
NEXT WEEK—LAST SIX DELIGHTFUL NIGHTS
"An artist in his own right" (The Play)
CHARLES PROHMAN Presents

OTIS SKINNER
IN HIS BRILLIANT ALBUQUERQUE PLAY
"THE RISE OF PETER BARBAN"
By George Skinner and John Zantoni
"Never has Mr. Skinner brought us a better play—Tuesday
ABSOLUTE SUCCESS! A HOUSEFUL! LAST SAT. NIGHT, JAN. 17
MONDAY, JAN. 19, TWO WEEKS—Seats Tuesday
HEAVY MILLER Presents
RUTH CHATTERTON
IN A NEW COMEDY
"MOONLIGHT AND HONEYUCKLE"
By GEORGE HARRINGTON
Direct from an All-Hands' Sun at Henry Miller's Theatre New York

GORDON'S
OLYMPIA, WASH. ST.
GIRLS
YOU MUST SEE
Constance Falmadge
in **"A VIRTUOUS VAMP"**
Close From Oscar Reilly
You've Seen All Kinds of Vamps but Virtuous Ones Now See the Sweetest Vamp in the World
FIRST TIMES IN BOSTON

THE BOSTON ENGLISH OPERA CO.
AT THE **ARLINGTON THEATRE**
BOSTON
WEEK BEGINNING MON. JAN. 12
OFFENDERS
DELICIOUS FRENCH OPERA ROUTE
TALES OF HOFFMAN
YOU'LL LIKE IT
50 NIGHTS
50c and 75c
MATINEES WED. & SAT. 2:35 and 7:35

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SHUBERT PLYMOUTH THEATRE
MESSRS. LEE & J.J. SHUBERT, MANAGING DIRECTORS
DIRECT SUBWAY CONNECTION
SEATS AT THEATRE AND AT LITTLE BOWLING LOBBY
EVEN. AT 8:20—MATS. THURS. & SAT. AT 2:20

2ND AND LAST WEEK
BEGINNING MON. NEXT

Grace George
in **"The Ruined Lady"**
An Adventure
By FRANCES HODGSON
"First to last brilliant with witty repartee"—Herald.
"One of the most talented comedians in work always a treat"
—E. H. Crosby in The Post.
"Miss George delightfully alluring"—Globe.
Beginning MON., Jan. 19—Seats Wed. Mail Orders Now
William A. Brady, Ltd. Presents

AT 9:45
A LAUGH AND A THRILL WITH EVERY TICK OF THE CLOCK

Ladies Requiring Husbands Should Visit the
SHUBERT WILBUR THEATRE
MESSRS. LEE & J.J. SHUBERT, MANAGING DIRECTORS
TICKETS AT 25c, 50c, 75c, 1.00, 1.50, 2.00, 2.50, 3.00, 3.50, 4.00, 4.50, 5.00, 5.50, 6.00, 6.50, 7.00, 7.50, 8.00, 8.50, 9.00, 9.50, 10.00, 10.50, 11.00, 11.50, 12.00, 12.50, 13.00, 13.50, 14.00, 14.50, 15.00, 15.50, 16.00, 16.50, 17.00, 17.50, 18.00, 18.50, 19.00, 19.50, 20.00, 20.50, 21.00, 21.50, 22.00, 22.50, 23.00, 23.50, 24.00, 24.50, 25.00, 25.50, 26.00, 26.50, 27.00, 27.50, 28.00, 28.50, 29.00, 29.50, 30.00, 30.50, 31.00, 31.50, 32.00, 32.50, 33.00, 33.50, 34.00, 34.50, 35.00, 35.50, 36.00, 36.50, 37.00, 37.50, 38.00, 38.50, 39.00, 39.50, 40.00, 40.50, 41.00, 41.50, 42.00, 42.50, 43.00, 43.50, 44.00, 44.50, 45.00, 45.50, 46.00, 46.50, 47.00, 47.50, 48.00, 48.50, 49.00, 49.50, 50.00, 50.50, 51.00, 51.50, 52.00, 52.50, 53.00, 53.50, 54.00, 54.50, 55.00, 55.50, 56.00, 56.50, 57.00, 57.50, 58.00, 58.50, 59.00, 59.50, 60.00, 60.50, 61.00, 61.50, 62.00, 62.50, 63.00, 63.50, 64.00, 64.50, 65.00, 65.50, 66.00, 66.50, 67.00, 67.50, 68.00, 68.50, 69.00, 69.50, 70.00, 70.50, 71.00, 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OUTDOOR SPORTS

Home Run King Gives His Side of Sale by the Boston Club

By NICK FLATLEY

The following dispatch from Babe Ruth gives that great slugger's viewpoint on the stories that have been spread concerning him as well as the trick can be done over 3,000 miles of wire:

Nick Flattery, Boston American:

I have read in the Los Angeles papers about Prase putting me on the list as a man of covering himself for my sale to New York. I have read where he said I was a disgusting element on the ball club. I want you to deny this for me. I will give him \$100 for every line he writes in the Los Angeles and in the American League that he has said I am a disgusting element. The trouble is that I have always stuck up for the club and he knows it. Before the season closed, the boys desired me to find out what date my salary would run to. I saw Harrow and he said there would be no trouble about that, as we would be paid until December 15. This seemed to me in the presence of all the players. We played and cut through the press and finally came through.

The latter part of August we asked him again, and at that time he came out and said we were only going to be paid for the time we played, which was until September 2. As he had previously stated that we would be paid up to the fifteenth, I told the boys to make him stick to his original agreement and not to take the deal until he made good that promise. He finally came through.

This is the only reason Prase has for saying I was a trouble maker. I asked for all the boys at their request and Harrow made his statement before all the fellows.

Statements that have appeared in the papers, credited to Prase, about me so far have not been true, and I am very seriously considering suing him for damages if he makes any more. He is trying to injure me with the Boston fans and I will not stand for this. The people of Boston and I am just as strong for the fans of Boston as they are for me.

REGRET LEAVING BOSTON.

I fully appreciate the stand the people made to stop this sale, and while it is true that I have been sold, I regret having to leave Boston. I have been with the Red Sox for six seasons and during that time I have won three pennants. Those three pennants were won by me and I have enjoyed playing before the Boston fans.

I have appeared in all the American League cities, and I can tell you that the fans there have been very little praiseworthy of me. I have been sold from the stadium, and I was in Boston I could do a better job. I will fully appreciate it if you will say that I got a square deal, and that I am a ball player.

"BABE" RUTH.

TO HOLD B. C. FOOTBALL BANQUET WEDNESDAY

Captain "Jimmy" Fitzpatrick and the Boston College football team will be honored by the Boston College Alumni Association at the ball banquet at the Boston City Club on Wednesday evening.

Cardinal O'Connell has promised to attend and present the trophy to Fitzpatrick. The Cardinal O'Connell cup is to be contested for by Holy Cross and Boston College football teams in the coming season. The team to win three games. The Maroon and gold eleven defeated the Purple three straight, winning the cup last Fall which was taken by Holy Cross at Fenway Park, 9 to 7.

FRANK MORAN READY FOR BOUT WITH FULTON

New York, Jan. 10.—After finishing his hard round of boxing, Frank Moran gave a satisfied grin and said: "That was a good fight. I am now on my feet and I am ready to go on and knock out any man who dares to fight me."

DISCOURD HOOK BOX.

The structure that became Hook Box, which was built by the Boston Athletic Association, has been dismantled. The structure was built for the purpose of housing the boxing equipment and was used for the purpose of housing the boxing equipment.

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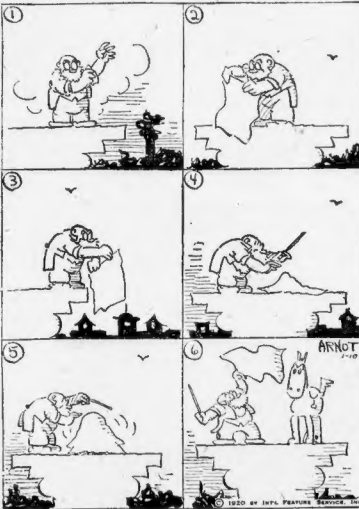
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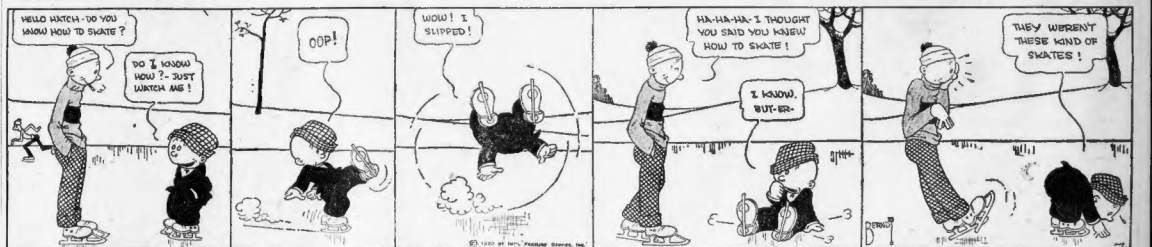
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Saturday Night with a Snow Shovel



The Miracle of Love

By COSMO HAMILTON

"Oh, there's all right," said Clive. "Money must come into it, however much we want to have it out."

There was another queer silence, broken only by the sharp sound of a horse's hoofs on the hard street without and the mellow note of the clock of St. James' parish.

"Well," said Kirby, "I guess it won't all up to me. It's mainly up to Nina. I like you, Kirby, very soon love her. Why don't you help her? She's a good girl, very nice—any man might be proud to win her and I don't mind saying it."

Kirby got up very happy to have brought the matter to a head, and stood smiling and a little emotional, like a big schoolboy.

Clive said: "You're awfully kind. I'll go ahead, then. The following morning, by arrangement, Clive rode in the park with Cornelia. He trotted up to the Coburg Hotel just as she came out. Mrs. Kirby was with her, looking very spruce and carefully put together, her white hair looking rather under a rather neat and dignified and she stood on the curb while her daughter mounted and laid her hand on the gleaming neck of Clive's horse.

Cornelia, who had been quick to gather that something was in the air from the way her father laid his hand on the horse's neck, rather excitedly—almost domestic, talk, which mostly consisted of remarks ordered to her mother about gloves and such. And before they rode off together, with the youth, Kirby touched Clive's arm lightly and whispered something that sounded like "Good luck."

Not much was said on the way to the park. The Olympia was discussed, her size, and altogether, "deliciously surprising." New Year's was mentioned and its cold winter, and the fact that Mr. Kirby had sent a cable to his sister at Miami to have the house ready immediately, and to the captain of the yacht Miami, telling him to steam round the coast of Florida to an anchorage in Biscayne Bay.

It All Depends
"I'd love you to see the Minnie-hans. They're crazy about her," said Cornelia. "And you like Miami. It's so attractive."

And Clive replied: "You stay with me very kindly indeed. You'll find with you there the winter."

She shot a quick look over her shoulder at him as he said that.

"All depends on you," said Clive.

After that they said nothing else. The park was alive with dancing. The sun was warm and bright. The King and Princess Victoria (named them) they both nodded and smiled at Clive. Cornelia flushed with pleasure and exhilaration.

It was a English dance. There was something different from being merely one of a number of young, sprightly girls and men whose names were all lumped together in the society columns of the New Year papers under the heading of "The Youngster Set."

Why that name seemed to him like the name of a clown, and why he looked so funny, and why he did mean Clive—Clive—that he had decided on that. Tomorrow they talked on the Olympia.

At the turn Clive made his horse break into an easy trot and began to talk. "I'd love you to see the Minnie-hans. They're crazy about her," said Cornelia. "And you like Miami. It's so attractive."

And Clive replied: "You stay with me very kindly indeed. You'll find with you there the winter."

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Wilson's Foreign Policies, If Unchecked, Will Mean a Greater War

Dr. Sun, the Chinese statesman, declares that Japan will wage war against the United States within ten years.

Who is Dr. Sun? His full name is Sun Yat Sen. He is the father of the present Chinese Republic. His fame is world wide. It was under his leadership—intellectual, moral and military—that the old Chinese monarchy was overthrown and the republic was set up. All disinterested white men in China regard him as the great hope of the Chinese.

In China a struggle of immense consequence to the world is now going on which the world strangely knows little about. Bankrupt white statesmanship is paying little heed to that struggle, although the fate of the entire white race may be affected by the outcome. Instead our international statesmen are now co-operating in starving the men and women in Russia in order to please a few bankers and speculators and imperialists who desire to exploit Russia.

The future of Russia and China, the preservation of their independence free from the control of or alliance with Japan, are of more consequence to the white people of the world than all the other issues of the great war.

China has four hundred millions of people. They are an industrious and strong race, of the highest commercial integrity. They are now of little consequence in the world because for many hundred years they have been taught to worship peace as a cardinal tenet of their religion.

They occupy the largest and the most fertile area of the great continent of the earth, and at the north of them stretch great fertile prairie lands like our own Western prairies. Every year the Chinese population is spreading out into that territory, which enables this teeming people to increase its population at a rate even faster than before.

The military qualities of the Japanese we all understand. They are increasing at the rate of eight hundred thousand a year, and the rate of increase is progressive. They have seized Christian Korea against right and against the expressed promise of our treaty with the Koreans. President Wilson sanctioned the surrender of Shantung, with its forty millions of people and its great resources, to Japan. Japanese intrigue is working to get Siberia, the greatest undeveloped territory on earth.

In China there are two parties—one party is pro-Japanese and the other party is anti-Japanese. The pro-Japanese are the militarists—the men who have seized military power in the foreign provinces. The anti-Japanese party are the men who believe in a republic, who believe in peace and justice and who believe in developing their country so that the Chinese masses may enjoy life more than they do now.

The military party depends upon the Japanese. If the military party finally prevails in China the Chinese government will be under the domination of the Japanese. Its army will be officered by Japanese or pro-Japanese Chinese. Its soldiers will be equipped with Japanese munitions. Its banks will be manned by Japanese clerks and officials, its industries organized and operated by the Japanese.

The military power of four hundred million industrious and brave people, capable of making the finest soldiers in the world, as the military experts of the world all agree, will be in the hands of the Japanese to use as they please.

There is no white nation on earth and no two white nations on earth that could meet the Chinese and Japanese combined, after the Japanese have had time and opportunity to organize China for war.

And the Chinese now see that America—their friend, their ally, the nation in whom they confided and for whom they saved war against Germany—even America, even the American President, with all his declared ideals of justice and democracy, will not recognize the plainest obligation of honor toward an ally and a friend.

China, because she is weak in military power, must be sacrificed and Japan, because she is strong, must be enlarged and enriched at China's expense.

What hope can be found in any League of Nations made by men capable of doing this? The plainest justice, the plainest justice, as well as the commonest prudence, requires that America should stand by China and the Russian people as their faithful republican friend.

Dr. Sun, who is a careful man and who above all other men knows conditions in the East, answered a few questions as follows:

If the Japanese programme in China succeeds, how long will it be before Japan will feel strong enough to make war on the United States?

"Ten years; not more than that."

Why will Japan take the offensive against the United States?

"She will be mistress of the Pacific, and her interests will clash with all of yours in the Orient. But the unavoidable cause of war will be Japan's demand for unrestricted immigration of her people into the United States. If she gains that by consent of your nation to avoid war, another ten years will pass before she will be strong enough to make war on the United States. Any effort forcing her people on the United States she will force them on Canada and Australia and on the American nations from Mexico to Cape Horn."

Japan's scheme, now in rapid process of accomplishment, is to support in China the reactionary—the militarists—against the liberal elements, to use the militarists to train and control millions of Chinese soldiers. Finally, and soon, she will begin using her trained Chinese millions in foreign wars.

"She will do that because the Japanese are aggressive, absolutely combative in spirit and moved by an eagerness to be the greatest of all Powers—the dominant nation, the Power that Germany planned to be. Further, she will do that because her people will be demanding the privilege to settle in California, Oregon and Washington, in Canada, in Australia, because they can cross wealth in those settled countries more easily and rapidly than they can anywhere else."

We do not think Dr. Sun's prophecy will be fulfilled in ten years. The power will probably postpone longer than that the next great war. Besides, our achievement in the war astonished the world and will make Japan wary.

But if Japan is given a free hand in China and Siberia in the next ten years she will in that time so organize them that ultimately the great war predicted by Dr. Sun will become unavoidable.

The foreign policies of President Wilson, if unchecked, lead straight to that goal.

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By K. C. B.

TOMBS PRISON, New York, Jan. 2.

DEAR K. C. B.—I don't know how you spent your time seeing the New Year come in, but I suppose you saw a lot of things that I did not see, as I am in the Tombs. But I think I saw something that you didn't see, for I suppose you were indoors—not like myself—but at some banquet or gathering.

While lying on my cot things were running through my mind as to the past, present and future. The whistles started blowing, and something told me to pray the old year out and the new year in. This I started to do with my eyes looking out and upward through a grate window. The clock on the New York Life started striking, and on the second stroke the moon, which had been obscured by a cloud, came out in all its glory and seemed to shine like it never shone before.

A happy feeling came over me that I cannot describe, and with the fellow who sleeps on the cot next to me I spoke of it and we wished each other a happy New Year, saying that the moon must be a good sign for us.

I prayed again, and the moon seemed to get brighter and brighter, and I could not go to sleep for a long while thinking of it, so I am writing to you and asking your opinion as to whether it was a good omen, for I have not been sentenced yet. I thank you.

NO. 24,671.

MY DEAR NO. 24,671.

WHOEVER YOU ARE.

AND WHEREVER YOUR NAME.

AND WHEREVER YOU CAME FROM.

AND WHEREVER YOU DID.

I SEND TO YOU.

THIS WISH OF MINE.

THAT WHEN YOU ARE THROUGH.

AND HAVE PAID THE TOLL.

THAT YOU MAY PAY.

FOR WHATEVER YOU DID.

AND LIVE AGAIN.

THAT WHATEVER HE WAS.

THAT SPOKE TO YOU.

IN THE HEART OF THE TOMBS.

ON NEW YEAR'S EVE.

MAY SPEAK AGAIN.

AND SAY TO YOU.

THAT IT'S VERY FOOLISH.

AND VERY UNWISE.

TO TAKE A CHANCE.

THAT YOU EVER AGAIN.

MAY LAY ON A COT.

IN A PRISON CELL.

ON NEW YEAR'S EVE.

OR SATURDAY NIGHT.

OR WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

OR ANY OTHER NIGHT.

AND I'M NOT GOING TO SPEAK.

ANY MORE THAN I HAVE.

BUT ABOUT THE MOON.

I JUST WANT TO SAY.

THAT I'M VERY SURE.

THAT IT'S VERY GLAD.

THAT WHEN IT CAME DOWN.

THROUGH THE WINDOW PLACE.

WHERE STEEL BARS ARE.

THAT IT CHEERED YOU UP.

AND CHEERED YOUR MATE.

AND I'M ALSO SURE.

IT CAME IN AN OVEN.

OF BETTER DAYS.

AND WHEN YOU'RE ARRANGED.

BEFORE THE JUDGE.

JUST CLIP THIS OUT.

AND HAND IT TO HIM.

BECAUSE SOME OF THE JUDGES.

ARE PRETTY GOOD GUYS.

I THINK YOU.

South End Kitchen for the Poor

By Randolph Wellford Smith

(Continued from Yesterday.)

THAT old Episcopal Cathedral of St. Paul, on Tremont street, presided over by Dean Roussemore, is doing much fine work for the children, but I doubt if any of its activities are more practical, nor more far-reaching in well-doing than the Neighborhood Kitchen at 303 Harrison avenue.

This kindergarten avenue house is the least attractive of the quarter's thoroughfares. It runs like a solid stream of dirt through the heart of the South End. This kitchen is in a sense an accident. It was opened in April, 1915, as a milk shop to comply with the government's demand to demonstrate the value of milk, and when its usefulness had been demonstrated in that direction beyond question it was continued as the Neighborhood Kitchen to teach the preparation of food needed by the undernourished child. And also to provide hungry children with the proper sort of food at a modest meal.

The work is under the direction of Miss M. Louise Elliott, destined, and she is assisted by Mrs. Katherine L. Anderson. There is an affiliation with the Baby Hygiene Association, and children are sent from the public schools and kept under observation for two years. Miss Elliott confers with the children at the Nutrition Clinic of Lincoln House once a week, and they are kept under supervision for a period of from two to five years. There is a roof garden in Summer and a great deal of good about it also accomplished.

The children pay for their meals and are very quick to resent any allegation that the kitchen is connected with charity.

I imagine from some of the reports that are current about the institution that long-time credits are sometimes extended. In an emergency a child may be admitted to which surrounds the kitchen. It would be, of course, somewhat embarrassing to Miss Elliott and Mrs. Anderson to do business on a strictly cash basis. They have embarrassed enough. Heaven knows, as it is. For example.

The Monday banquet was being served one day last week. Among the guests was Mrs. Mary Flanagan, born in Naples, age eight years and an adept pupil of the Boston public school system. The stove

was fish chowder. Master Frazzini parook of his bountiful supply with evident relish. Suddenly he turned to his hostess.

"This fish chowder is very, very good today, Mrs. Anderson," he remarked. "How many calories do you think?"

Mrs. Anderson hastily withdrew to secure the information definitely. The place is very simple. There are no frills nor gingerbread notices. A big range almost in the centre of the room holds the attention. It has to be big, for in addition to feeding the score or more children day in and day out, great double boilers are sent to the neighboring factories. The tables are low and comfortable, children's tables. The children crowd into the modest rooms just before the noon hour, some bolshoi and hearty like any other children—others pinched and drawn. A few days of the wholesome, well-prepared food soon brings about a great change in the latter, and the old customers are not easily won away. A spirit of universal camaraderie exists among the patrons that is somewhat remarkable considering the commingling of races. But, like the children of the ghetto, they manage to conserve marked unity of thought and action.

To Be Continued Monday

Suppressing the News

(From the New Bedford Standard.)

Has praise gone to the head of Police Commissioner Curtis of Boston, or is his career over against furnishing police news to the public to be explained on other grounds?

Police officials have tried this policy of suppressing news many times in the past, but it has always been a failure. Usually the excuse has been that they have been "trapped" in the papers, and have taken this way of retaliating. Mr. Curtis has no such excuse. The press has, as a rule, sung his praises ever since the police strike. Mr. Curtis' surprising stand on the rule forbidding the police to affiliate with the Amalgamated Society of Labor is deserving of commendation, but the charge made at the time that he was autocratic and tactless has some substantiation in his latest attitude, which he seeks to keep from the public knowledge of what is going on in the department.

Boston Most Extravagantly Run City in U. S.

BOSTON is declared by some municipal critics the most extravagantly run city in the United States. Charges have been made and repeated that there is inexcusable waste and extravagance of other kinds in Boston City Hall.

It has been stated that departments are over-manned, that rates of pay are too high, that a good share of the city's money goes for "padded payrolls."

The first of a series of articles on this situation will appear tomorrow in the Boston Sunday Advertiser. That paper is not "muckraking." It believes the people of Boston should know the truth, whatever it is.

The Boston Sunday Advertiser makes no charges. It wants to help find out the facts of the case. It wants to be helpful. Mayor Peters has said that if extravagance is proved he will cut it out.

The Boston Sunday Advertiser's columns are open to officials to tell the people what they know about the state of affairs. The series beginning tomorrow is one that will pay citizens and officials alike to study closely.

Unhealthy industrial conditions are the real cause of Bolshevism in the United States, asserts Ray Stannard Baker in an article in the Boston Sunday Advertiser.

"If every radical agent were deported from the steel town of Gary, Ind., tomorrow, the causes of unrest would still remain," he declares. "The deportation of agitators and the suppression of opinion was tried out on a grand scale for years by the old Russian government. It did not stop revolution; it probably stimulated its more violent forms. Look at Russia today."

"Both employers and workers in the United States are trying quick remedies. Why not do what any sensible man with a pain finally does—learn what the underlying trouble is and try and reach and cure that?"

"Lord Leverhulme's plan of two six-hour shifts allows the process of evolution which reduced hours of labor from twelve or more to eight per day in the past hundred years," writes Carroll W. Doten, professor of economics at Tech, in the Boston Sunday Advertiser.

He declares that, though employers may pay more in wages, machinery that has lain idle a year or more as the political situation here clears. They amount for the first time, just what they expect to do and show on a map where they expect to locate their cities and towns, railroads, canals, harbor and other projects.

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Letters to the Editor

Taught a Lesson

Editor Boston American:

Let me congratulate you upon the editorial and cartoon appearing in the American on Tuesday, January 6. It taught a very necessary lesson in a very concise and cogent manner. The repetition of the editorial and the cartoon every day for a month might accomplish a great deal of good.

THOMAS H. HAWLEY.

Boston.

The State Bonus

Editor Boston American:

I would like just a few lines in your good paper about the One Hundred Dollar bonus. I was reading in a paper lately where the State Guards are to receive \$2 per day for service duty during the service January 20, 1918, and discharged before January 15, 1918, will look back and see when the National Guard was called out in March, 1917, to guard bridges and government buildings, they received fifty cents per day or fifteen dollars a month. The bonus application was thrown out if you were discharged before January 15, 1918. War was declared April 6, 1917, and I would like to know why one's services were not just as good between April 6, 1917, and January 15, 1918, as after January 15, 1918. I am going to tell you of two different cases. There was a sergeant in the National

Guard for twelve years and who was discharged for physical disability December 14, 1917. I think that this man is more entitled to the \$100 bonus than the man who was inducted into the service January 20, 1918, and discharged for physical reasons January 23, 1918. The man with eight months' service does not receive the bonus, but the man with three days' service does receive it. I do not understand why the legion does not get after some of our representatives and Senators.

Yours for a square deal.

JOHN B. WILLIAMS.

Ex-Serviceman.

Entitled to Difference

Editor Boston American:

Recently there was a bill passed called the Sweet Bill, providing \$50 a month for disabled soldiers from the time of their discharge until they began their course in vocational training. Previous to this only \$30 a month was allotted to a man while waiting for his course to begin. As such men could be the difference between the \$30 a month they received and the recent allowance of \$50 a month?

Boston.

Yes. The law is retroactive and disabled men will receive back pay of \$20 a month from the date of discharge.—Editor.